

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The indication of allowable subject matter at claims 19, 22-26, 29 and 30 is appreciatively noted. These claims have been amended to self-standing independent form (including amendments so as to obviate outstanding objections to claim 17). Accordingly, these claims are now believed to be in fully allowed status.

Rejected claims 17, 18, 20, 21, 27, 28 and 31-33 have been cancelled above without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, all outstanding grounds for rejection have been mooted and it is not believed necessary at this time to explain the reason for such rejections being traversed (which they hereby are).

New claims 34 and 35 have been added. Claim 34 is directed to a computer comprising a computer program capable of performing the method of claim 19 when executed by that computer. Claim 35 claims a tangible computer program storage medium containing a computer program capable of performing the method of claim 19 when executed. Since these claims depend from allowed claim 19, they are also believed to be in allowable condition.

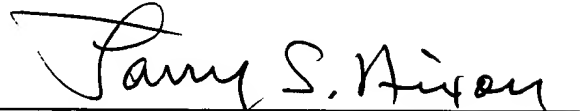
WADDINGTON
Appl. No. 09/913,463
December 12, 2006

Accordingly, this entire application is now believed to be in allowable condition
and a formal Notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.

By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Larry S. Nixon", written over a horizontal line.

Larry S. Nixon
Reg. No. 25,640

LSN:vc
901 North Glebe Road, 11th Floor
Arlington, VA 22203-1808
Telephone: (703) 816-4000
Facsimile: (703) 816-4100